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This is a field office supplement issued by WFO Fairbanks. It describes the WFO Fairbanks Terminal Aerodrome Forecast (TAF) amendment criteria for use during the testing of Airport Specific TAF Amendment Criteria (ASTAC), for the TAF sites in the WFO Fairbanks area of responsibility.

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### WFO Fairbanks Terminal Aerodrome Forecast Amendment Criteria

1. General. This supplement covers TAF amendment criteria to be used by WFO Fairbanks during the test period for Airport Specific TAF Amendment Criteria (ASTAC).

4.5 TAF Amendments. Forecasters should use the Aviation Forecast Preparation System (AvnFPS) to alert them when a TAF does not meet current criteria.

4.5.1 Amendment Criteria.

WFO Fairbanks Minimum Amendment Criteria.

a. The following table illustrates the amendment thresholds for ceiling and visibility for TAFs issued by WFO Fairbanks during the test period. Specific airfield thresholds will be found in the Station Duty Manual:

Forecast Element/Occurrence	Standard TAF Amendment Criteria	
Ceiling or Visibility observed to decrease to less than, or if below, increase to equal or exceed:	<b>Category</b>	<b>Limits</b>
	A	<200' / 1/2SM
	B1	<600' / 2SM
	B2	<800' / 2SM
	C	<1000' / 3SM
	D	≤3000' / 5SM
	E	See notes 4 and 5
	<p>Categories are determined by the lower of the values.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forecast category is determined by the lower ceiling or visibility value.</li> <li>Substitute the lowest published airfield minimum for Ceiling/Visibility Category A.</li> <li>Category B1 applies only to airfields with precision approaches. Category B2 is for non-precision approach airfields.</li> <li>Amendments required for ceiling &lt;2000' when visibility is ≥3SM.</li> <li>Amendments required for visibility &lt;1SM if a lower airfield minimum visibility exists.</li> </ol>	